

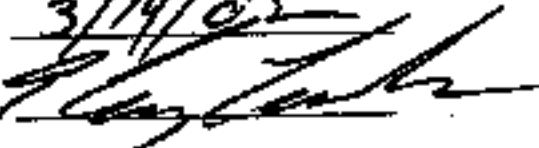


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RE: Express Services, Inc. PAC
Identification Number: C00302240
12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/00 - 10/18/00)

Dear Mr. Maxwell:

I am responding to your letter of October 3, 2001, indicating that Schedule B of the 12 Day Pre-General Report discloses a disbursement to a federal candidate's committee apparently in excess of Express Services, Inc. PAC's contribution limit. I have enclosed an amended report to clarify that the disbursement in question consisted of contributions by individuals that were earmarked for the candidate's committee. I also have enclosed a photocopy of the individual contributions for your review.

In the report originally filed with the Federal Election Commission, Schedule B indicates an itemized disbursement to "Friends of J.C. Watts," dated April 8, 1999, in the amount of Eleven Hundred Dollars (\$1,100.00). This disbursement constitutes earmarked contributions directed by two individual contributors to the candidate's committee through the PAC. The PAC acted as a conduit for the earmarked contributions and did not exercise control over either contributor's choice to contribute to the candidate's committee. As such, the earmarked contributions should not count against the limits on the PAC's own contributions to the candidate's committee.

The amended report clarifies the nature of the disbursement. If you have any questions about the information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Thomas N. Richards

Treasurer